



ModNation™ RACERS

MANUAL



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A very small percentage of individuals may experience epileptic seizures or blackouts when exposed to certain light patterns or flashing lights. Exposure to certain patterns or backgrounds on a television screen or when playing video games may trigger epileptic seizures or blackouts in these individuals. These conditions may trigger previously undetected epileptic symptoms or seizures in persons who have no history of prior seizures or epilepsy. If you, or anyone in your family, has an epileptic condition or has had seizures of any kind, consult your physician before playing. IMMEDIATELY DISCONTINUE use and consult your physician before resuming gameplay if you or your child experience any of the following health problems or symptoms:

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Use and handling of video games to reduce the likelihood of a seizure

- Use in a well-lit area and keep as far away as possible from the television screen.
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- Avoid prolonged use of the Playstation®3 system. Take a 15-minute break during each hour of play.
- Avoid playing when you are tired or need sleep.

Stop using the system immediately if you experience any of the following symptoms: lightheadedness, nausea, or a sensation similar to motion sickness; discomfort or pain in the eyes, ears, hands, arms, or any other part of the body. If the condition persists, consult a doctor.

NOTICE:

Use caution when using the DUALSHOCK®3 wireless controller motion sensor function. When using the DUALSHOCK®3 wireless controller motion sensor function, be cautious of the following points. If the controller hits a person or object, this may cause accidental injury or damage. Before using, check that there is plenty of space around you. When using the controller, grip it firmly to make sure it cannot slip out of your hand. If using a controller that is connected to the PS3™ system with a USB cable, make sure there is enough space for the cable so that the cable will not hit a person or object. Also, take care to avoid pulling the cable out of the PS3™ system while using the controller.

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Do not connect your PS3™ system to a projection TV without first consulting the user manual for your projection TV, unless it is of the LCD type. Otherwise, it may permanently damage your TV screen.

HANDLING YOUR PS3™ FORMAT DISC:

- Do not bend it, crush it or submerge it in liquids.
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- Be sure to take an occasional rest break during extended play.
- Keep this disc clean. Always hold the disc by the edges and keep it in its protective case when not in use. Clean the disc with a lint-free, soft, dry cloth, wiping in straight lines from center to outer edge. Never use solvents or abrasive cleaners.

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GETTING STARTED

PlayStation®3 system

Starting a game: Before use, carefully read the instructions supplied with the PS3™ computer entertainment system. The documentation contains information on setting up and using your system as well as important safety information.

Check that the MAIN POWER switch (located on the system rear) is turned on. Insert the ModNation™ Racers disc with the label facing up into the disc slot. Select the icon for the software title under ModNations™ Racers in the PS3™ system's home menu, and then press the **•** button. Refer to this manual for information on using the software.

Quitting a game: During gameplay, press and hold down the PS button on the wireless controller for at least 2 seconds. Then select "Quit Game" from the screen that is displayed.

 To remove a disc, touch the eject button after quitting the game.

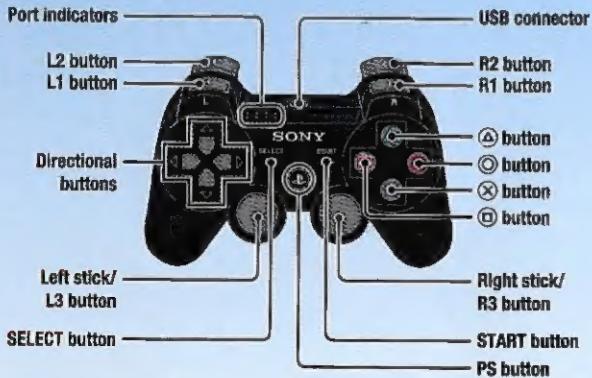
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Saved data for PS3™ format software is saved on the system's hard disk. The data is displayed under "Saved Game Utility" in the Game menu.

MEET YOUR MODNATION HOSTS BIFF AND GARY



CONTROLS



Menu Controls

Navigate Menu/Highlight Menu Item left stick/directional buttons $\uparrow / \downarrow / \leftarrow / \rightarrow$
 Select Highlighted Menu Item \times
 Previous Screen \circlearrowleft
 Quick Select Character/Kart R1
 Toggle Menus L2 / R2

ModSpot Controls

Expand Chat (online ModSpot) L3
 Access Players List (online) R3
 Chat Text Entry \triangle

Game Controls

Steer left stick
 Emote directional buttons (double tap for more emotes)
 Sideswipe, Spin (in air only) right stick \leftarrow / \rightarrow
 Look Back \triangle
 Gas R2
 Shield \circlearrowleft (hold)
 Boost L1
 Brake L2
 Use Item \square
 Drop Mine hold \square
 Hop \times (tap)
 Super Hop \times (double tap)
 Drift \times (hold)
 Reset Kart SELECT
 Pause Game START
 Switch Minimap Views L3
 Horn R3
 Activate Shootable Triggers (uses Boost) R1



MAIN MENU



To access the main menu options, drive your Kart to the corresponding station within the ModSpot and press **□** when within distance. You can also access the main menu options by pressing **START**.

Race

Burn rubber in a variety of racing modes: Single Player Race, Online Race, Split Screen, and Career.

Create

Your one-stop shop for all things customizable! Create your own Karts, Mods, and Tracks, or edit UFG Creations (developer created content) and downloads. You can also hit up the Shop Station, or publish and download creations by visiting Share.

Share

Connect to share your creations in Publish, snag cool creations in Download, check out your Players List, open your Inbox, and keep your items in check with Manage Creations.

Stats

Check out all sorts of personal information in My Local Stats and My Online Profile, review your XP, and take a look at the Race Leaderboards and Creation Leaderboards.

SHARE TIP: When you are searching for creations, they are all organized based on how people like you voted on them - so make sure you vote on all your favorite stuff.

Extras

There's more to life than just racing, like taking pictures of your sweet ride in Photo Mode, tweaking your option settings in Options, checking out the amazing people that created ModNation™ Racers in Credits, viewing the hottest trailers for new games in Previews, or viewing your button commands in Controller Layout. All that "extra" stuff can be found here.

Tutorials

Learn the details of the Creation Station, Track Studio, and Online mode in these easy to understand tutorials.

NOTE: ModNation™ Racers has an autosave feature that records your progress from time to time. You know when it's working when you see the small disc icon onscreen.

PAUSE MENU (in a race)

Press **START** during gameplay to halt the race and open the pause menu. Here, you can check out all sorts of goodies, including Extras and Photo Mode. You can return to the race by selecting RESUME, or retry from the beginning by selecting RESTART. Of course, you could always bail out by selecting RETURN TO MODSPOT, but why would you want to do that? You can also select PHOTO MODE and EXTRAS. Keep in mind that your options might change slightly based on your race mode.



READY TO RACE

SINGLE PLAYER RACE

Quick Race

The Quick Race option is the perfect place to work up your skills and lay down some red-hot times.



In addition to the 28 UFG Creations (some of which become unlocked as you progress through the Career), you can also select from your personally created tracks and downloaded tracks. Highlight a track and press **•** to select the course and check out Your Best Lap and Global Best Lap.

In addition to setting # of laps, AI racers, speed, and difficulty, you can also choose between 2 race types: Pure or Action. Pure Races have no weapons or dynamic obstacles: it's just your raw racing talent.

Time Trial

Time Trial is a race without weapons or opponents where the objective is to get the best possible lap time. Pick a track from My Tracks, which are your own created courses, UFG Creations, or Downloaded tracks. When you're ready to place the pedal to the metal, select a track and press **•**.



CAREER

In the Career menu, you can view the status of your races, win conditions and race objectives. Highlight one of your available races at the top of the menu to view the details of the track. On the left, you can take a gander at the track Image and on the right you can check out your Best Lap, Best Time, how many Tokens you've collected on the course, and if you have unlocked any Advances, Payoffs, and Bonuses. Press **•** to pull up Achievement Details and view each and every reward. When you're ready, press **•** and you're off to the races.

SPLIT SCREEN

Up to four players can compete in a split screen party showdown! After signing in the desired number of contenders and selecting your Kart, Mod, and Driver Style by pressing **R1**, select a track from My Tracks, UFG Creations, or Downloaded. Each chosen track gives you the usual rundown on the right and the Race Settings on the left.

ONLINE RACE

There are five ways to play online. Team up for a quick game in Join Casual Race, compete for XP in Join XP Race, become the host in Host Casual, pair up at home and online in Join with Split Screen, and create your own racing party in Host with Split Screen.

If you're the host, then you get to select the track and Race Settings for the game. After choosing your track, you may change the Number of Laps, Speed Class, Race Type, Race Slots, and who can have access to this Gameroom. When you are set, press **•** to create the game.

Game Room

After choosing to either join a game or host your own, you are taken to the Game Room. If you are the host, then you can switch up your Mod, Kart, or Driver Style **R1**, open your Friends List with **R3**, view the waiting players with **L3**, change the race settings with **•**, or open a chat window with **•**. If you joined the game, then you can also vote to veto the host by pressing **L1**.

FROM THE DRIVER'S SEAT



Position

Are you in the front of the pack or the back? See just what place you are currently holding.

Leaderboard

Here, you can see who is eating your dust and whose dust you are eating.

Race Objective

This friendly little note pops up whenever you do something to contribute to a Race Objective (Career).

Minimap

A little lost? Take a look at the minimap to see exactly where you are on the track and how close or far behind the competition is. Press **L3** to switch up the map view.

Lap

Check out what lap you are on and how many remain.

Time

The clock is ticking. See just how long it takes you to cross the finish line. Try to beat your best time!

Boost Meter

You can use the Boost when the meter is at least partially filled. Nothing in the meter? Then no Boost for you! In addition making you drive faster, your Boost Meter can also power your shield  and activate Shootable triggers by pressing the **B1** button when you are near them.

Item

When you collect an item, its image and level are shown in the bottom right corner. Oh, the damaging possibilities!



THE HOOK UP

ONLINE MODSPOT



When you select Connect to Online, the ModSpot is expanded to include awesome online features.

Top Mods And Top Karts

Towering over the ModSpot are the top three Mods and Karts of the day. These creations earn their spot by receiving the most views, downloads, and positive votes. Select a Mod or Kart to view their information and vote on the creation.

Coming Attractions

Get a sneak peek at the latest and greatest ModNation™ Racers has to offer. View the Mod and Kart statues next to the screen to check out featured downloadable content. Press **X** to enter Shop Station and pick up some DLC.

Top Tracks

For tracks that are the cream of the crop, head over to Top Tracks. Here, you can race on the most incredible how-did-they-do-that courses created. Press **X** to join the fun.

Hot Lap

Hot Lap is a daily online tournament that features a different track every day. The best lap times are awarded bonus Race XP at the end of each day.

MRC Streaming News

Who are the highest rated Mods? What players have the most XP? What Karts were downloaded the most last week? For answers to these questions and more, watch the MRC streaming news!

Mod Talk

Press **R3** to expand the chat window and see what everyone's talking about. Join the conversation by pressing **A**. You can also voice chat with players in close proximity.

Players List

To manage your ever-expanding social life, press **R3** to open your player's list. Check out who's in your Current ModSpot, view your Friends, check on your Invites, keep an eye on Recent Players, and review your Favorite creators. We promise you, **R3** will be your new best friend (or at least provide the introductions)...

Change Your Mod And Kart

Press **R1** to change your current Mod and Kart. Here, you can choose between Mods and Karts you have downloaded, UFG creations, and your own creations. These sliders will allow you to change your kart's top speed, acceleration, handling and drift settings. These values are connected, so increasing your max speed will lower your acceleration. Drift and handling are connected in the same fashion. Your driver style can be changed at anytime in the Mod Spot and in any game room, this way you can alter your settings for each specific race as you see fit.

Good Grief

We want to keep ModNation™ Racers as clean and respectable as possible, so please let us know if you discover any questionable content. When viewing a questionable creation, press the **START** to file a report.

ALL ABOUT ME

STATS

In the end, it's all about you. Your times, your Mods, your goodies, you, you, you! Soak it up and reflect on your performances thus far. Are you riding high, or do you need some improvement?

My Local Stats

Review your statistics in four different categories. Check on your rising career in Career, see where you have been spending your time in Time Spent, check out your overall racing stats in Racing, and view information about your works of art in Creations.

My Online Profile

Review all your online races, online winnings, XP, and more in Details, keep tabs on your created Karts, Mods, and Tracks in Creations, and take a gander at your most beloved creators in Favorite Creators.

XP

There are two ways to earn XP. You earn Race XP by entering XP Races and XP Series. And you earn Create XP by publishing creations that get popular in ModNation. Racking up Race XP and Create XP fills your gauge fills. Each time you fill the gauge, you move up a rank. On the right you can view your Current Level and on the level you can see your Total XP.

Race Leaderboards

Use **L2** and **R2** to move between Players, Races, and Stunts and **L1** and **R1** to select different Leaderboards within those main categories. You can further adjust the rankings by pressing **□** and **△**.

Creation Leaderboards

Use **L2** and **R2** to move between the four main categories of Creators, Mods, Karts, and Tracks. **L1** and **R1** let you select different Leaderboards within those main categories. You can further adjust the rankings by pressing **□** and **△**.

EXTRAS

There's a lot to enjoy in Extras but there's just something special about Photo Mode. Framing the perfect shot of your lovely mug is an art form everyone should indulge in at least once.

Photo Mode

Take snapshots of your Mod and Kart in action with Photo Mode. Adjust the viewing angle using the right stick, and zoom in and out using the left stick **↑** and **↓**. To emote, use the directional buttons. When you are ready, press **L1** to take a photograph. Press **○** to return to the Extras menu. Every glorious photo is sent directly to Photo on the XMB™ menu for you to share with all your racing crew.



GETTING CRAFTY

CREATION STATION



Mods

Select NEW to create your own Mod, SELECT MOD to choose another Mod, or EDIT to tweak your current Mod.

When creating a new character, you are presented with a blank canvas to customize. If you need some inspiration, press **□** to Randomize a character. Here's a handy randomizing tip: randomize the character several times and then Press **R1** or Hold **L3 + R1** to cycle between these creations to choose your favorite.

Whether you decide to edit an existing Mod, create a new Mod, or choose to alter an UFG Creation or downloaded Mod, there are six areas of customization: Skins, Head, Clothes, Stickers, Odds 'N Ends, and Voice. When you have created the perfect Mod, select SAVE and start showing off your new threads.

Karts

Start from the wheels up and design a ride by selecting NEW, choose SELECT KART to pull up a different Kart, or select EDIT to trick out your current Kart.

When working with a new Kart, press **□** to Randomize and **△** to Clear. After you're set to start the heavy alterations, press **⊗** to Continue. Whether you select NEW or EDIT, there are four features to customize: Bodies, Paint, Parts, and Accessories. After creating the most awesome ride in history, select SAVE and start driving in style.

TIP: Photo Mode is accessible in Creation Station in the Select section of Mods or Karts.



Tracks

Lay down your own turf by creating a brand new track by selecting NEW, or remix any of your previous courses, downloaded tracks, or UFG Creations by choosing EDIT.

When creating a new track, you must first choose a Theme. Select ALPINE, DESERT, SEASIDE, or JUNGLE. Next up are the basic track creation tools.

New Track Menu

Lay Track: To mark the Start/Finish of your track, press **⊗**. You may lay the track using Free Drive, which allows you to move around and pave the course as you go, or Snap to Terrain, which guides your movement to match the flow of the terrain (if the angle of the terrain is too steep the steamroller will have to cut into the terrain). Notice as you lay out your track the minimap updates to show your progress, the white line in front of you represents the Auto-Complete path back to the finish line. Hold **⊗** to quickly lay track along this Auto-Complete path if you like where it's taking you. There! Consider your track paved. Now, you can choose to auto populate your track, or jazz it up yourself. Be sure to save some track budget for later if you plan to make further edits to the track.

GETTING CRAFTY (CONTINUED)

Sculpt Terrain: There are four sections to choose from: Sculpt Terrain, Advanced Sculpt, Surface, and Ground Cover. These tools have bucket loads of settings and usage, so explore them all to create the greatest terrain to ever be raced on!

Control the Elements: Nothing sets the mood quite like the perfect weather. Adjust four different features: Time of Day, Cloud Cover, Wind, and Water Level. When you're finished, press **○** to return to the New Track Menu.

TRACK STUDIO MAIN MENU

Preview Mode: Sit back and review the track you've just created as AI Mods race around the course. You can also take a photo of the track to save to the XMB™ menu or use as your track thumbnail (many tracks will be downloaded based on the thumbnail so make it pretty!)

Edit: There are five choices: Mod Track, Place Props, Mod Terrain, Auto Populate, and Global Change. This is where a majority of the environment customization comes into play.

Test Drive: Here, you can check out your course before you start racing on it.

Test Race: Take your track out for a performance test and participate in a race.

Exit/Save: Save your track and head out, or ditch your track and exit. If you don't save, the track won't be there for you to work on later, so think before you exit!

Tutorials: Put on your thinking cap and get ready to learn. Go over the basics of each function and learn how to use the tools properly.

Shop

Purchase accessories, items, and all-around cool things for your Mod, Kart, and Track at the Shop Station. Spend the Tokens you have collected during Career at the Token Shop. Select to spend one, two, or five Tokens!

At the Online Store you can access the latest and greatest in **ModNation™ Racers** DLC. Simply highlight an item and press **X** to add it to your Shopping Cart. When you have shopped until you have dropped, press **START** to review the goodies in your shopping cart and view the total cost. Press **START** again to Checkout.

Share

Don't hog all your sweet creations. Share them with the rest of the Mod community! Upload Mods, Karts, and Tracks by selecting **PUBLISH**, or download other players' creations by choosing **DOWNLOAD**. You can also keep tabs on all creations you have currently published by selecting **MANAGE**.





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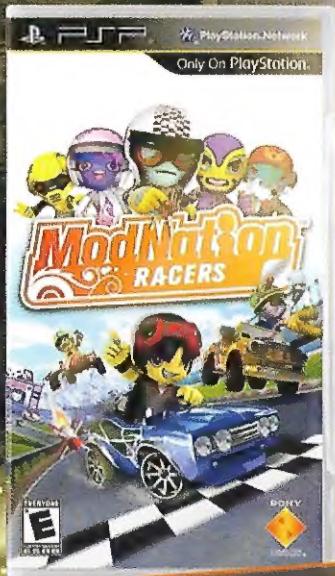
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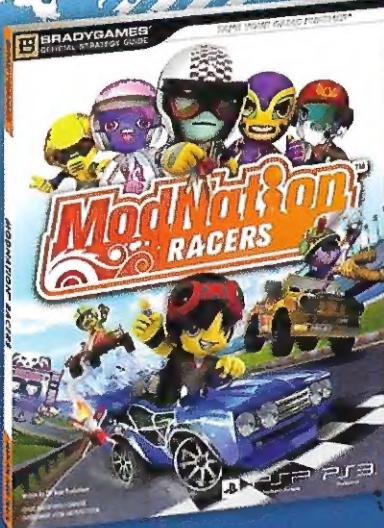
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